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Confirmation No.: 7004

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Art Unit : 3621

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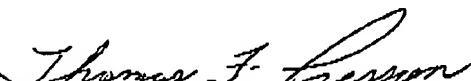
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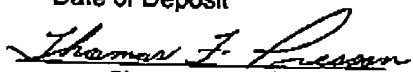
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